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AMERICAN HERO RETURNING TO INDIANA'S SIXTH DISTRICT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. PENCE) for 5 minutes.

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an American hero, PFC Louis Wiesehan, Jr., of Richmond, Indiana, and celebrate his return home to the Sixth District of Indiana.

PFC Wiesehan was a fellow marine who gave the ultimate sacrifice while fighting on the island of Betio in the Pacific Ocean during World War II. After 77 years, PFC Wiesehan is finally coming home. His remains will be buried in his hometown.

Thank you, PFC Wiesehan, for your service and sacrifice. You will never be forgotten. Semper Fi.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give my wholehearted support for the upcoming March for Life rallies taking place across the Nation next week.

I am a passionately pro-life American and I will always fight for unborn children. It is our duty to protect the most vulnerable and speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

As millions of Americans march across the Nation next week, I pledge to always stand with their cause.

GREENFIELD-CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL RADIO STATION

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Greenfield-Central High School Radio Station WRGF for being on air for 20 years. The high school station was established in 1999 and is now a 24/7 on-air public radio station run completely by students and their teacher, Jonathan Hudson.

Greenfield-Central's radio/TV classes draw 70 students a semester who are able to learn and gain professional experience before they enter college or the workforce. I was able to witness the advantages that these students are able to gain while visiting the facility last fall.

Happy anniversary to WRGF and all the students who participate in the program.

CONGRATULATING NEW PALESTINE COACH KYLE RALPH

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate New Palestine football coach, Kyle Ralph.

Coach Ralph is among the list of only 32 coaches nationwide who are finalists for the 2019 Don Shula NFL High School Coach of the Year Award. In his 7 years as head coach at New Palestine, Coach Ralph has built a program that has become a statewide powerhouse.

Throughout his tenure, Coach Ralph has amassed an amazing 88-4 record and has brought three State championships home to New Palestine.

Mr. Speaker, I wish Coach Ralph the best of luck during the ceremony at the NFL Pro Bowl.

NEPA UPDATE

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I applaud the Trump administration for proposing to update the totally outdated National Environmental Policy Act regulations.

These policies haven't seen reform in over 4 decades. As a result countless infrastructure projects have been backlogged for years.

It is time to roll back burdensome regulations that stifle growth.

Modernizing NEPA regulations will allow schools, bridges, and other vital projects to finally move forward safely and efficiently.

I pledge my support for these updates and look forward to the continued improvement of America's infrastructure.

TRADE WITH CHINA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. KING) for 5 minutes.

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to be recognized to address you here on the floor of the United States House of Representatives.

I come to the floor today to raise the issue and be thankful of the progress that we have made with regard to trade. We have been through a year and a half or more of intense trade negotiations. I have watched as our markets took a hard hit and tailspinned down for a couple of days, down the limit awhile back, and slowly creep back in again.

We produce a lot of corn, soybeans, cattle, hogs, eggs, and renewable energy in the Fourth Congressional District of Iowa. In fact, it is the number one egg-producing congressional district in all of America.

We saw a publication on the part of Bloomberg that when the tariffs were put onto Chinese goods coming into the United States by President Trump, the Chinese retaliated with tariffs on products like pork and soybeans. Bloomberg just showed a map of the United States where that hit the hardest and it happened to hit exactly over the red counties in America that produce a lot of corn and soybeans, and you could add to that the other products I mentioned, Mr. Speaker.

The situation that we are dealing with now is that we have gotten a long way through these trade negotiations, and we are coming around to the other side of it with China. In spite of all of this difficulty in all these markets that have been suppressed over this period of time, we found some new trade outlets.

For one thing, instead of having one big pipe going to China, we have got multiple, smaller pipes going to other locations in the world. And today the President signed phase 1 of the trade agreement that will increase by about \$16 billion a year our egg product exports to China. That includes a lot of

soybeans, it includes a lot of pork, and it fixes that component.

It also addresses the intellectual property issue that has been a big barrier for the trade negotiations with China. The value of U.S. intellectual property—the creation that comes out of the minds of Americans—is pirated by the Chinese somewhere between \$500 and \$600 billion a year. That gets addressed to a degree in this agreement and it gets addressed again in the next phase of the agreement.

U.S. Trade Representative Lighthizer has spoken on that issue to me, and he seems to be, I will say, fairly confident that we are going to get at least a reasonable beginning to something that is awfully hard to fix.

I would add also that it isn't just China. We are waiting now for the U.S. Senate to pass the USMCA Agreement. It is only the impeachment trial that stands in the way of getting that done. That will happen soon, within about a month or so, or perhaps less.

Further we have Japan, we have South Korea, and by the end of this month the United Kingdom will be out of the E.U., and the door is open for a bilateral trade agreement with the British.

If we could get that all done, as I said to the President the other day, we may find ourselves in the very best position we have ever been in, at least in our lifetime, with regard to trade in multiple locations, so that we are diversified in our markets so that we can send out to multiple countries and at the same time have a strong relationship with China and other countries.

We are moving into an excellent position here. We have got a strong economy, and we have got a strong Dow. This really is a great time to make investments in America, and they are doing that from around the world.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the President today.

2020 RESOLUTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MEUSER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. MEUSER. Mr. Speaker, as we begin the new year and a new decade, let's all commit in this House to doing the job that the people sent us to the people's House to do. Let us remember the words of Alexander Hamilton: "Here, sir, the people govern; here they act by their immediate Representatives."

Let us commit to working every day 9 to 5 on delivering real results on the issues that matter to our constituents and our country.

These include working to reduce the cost of healthcare, including ending surprise billing, decreasing the cost of prescription drugs, ending prohibitions on association health plans, and ensuring there is no loss of insurance for preexisting conditions.

Also, continuing to ensure that veterans receive the care they deserve and